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Veterans' Program

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King County Veterans' Program Advisory Board Meeting Summary June 15, 2010 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Watershed Science Center Issaquah

Call to Order

King County Advisory Board, Rick Woodruff called meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Rick Woodruff, Debra Wood, Bill Wood, David Waggoner, Carroll Fisher, Stan Gunno, Ray Tomlinson

Board Members Excused/Absent:

Bill Metcalf, Roger Welles, Harry Brown, Tom Leonard, Doug Hoople, Eugene Vojior, Eddie Jensen, Lyle Stevenson, Art Dammkoehler

County Staff Present:

Fred Steele DCHS – King County Veterans Program
Rita Sanchez DCHS – King County Veterans Program
Joel Estey DCHS – King County Veterans Program
Fran Nowak DCHS – King County Veterans Program

Guest Present: N/A

Review of Meeting Summary

May 2010

ACTION: No

Insufficient number of members present for a quorum.

Committee Reports

Appeals: No appeals.

Budget & Finance: Budget committee has not met since February 2010.

Programs: Programs Committee will meet sometime in July 2010.

Monthly Reports: Fred Steele - discussed the financial services for the Veterans Program and provided background information regarding services for the King County Veterans Programs and the comparisons between the different service locations, which include Seattle, Renton, and all the Satellite Services from April 2010 – May 2010.



Fred discussed the Financial Assistance and compared 2009 to 2010 services, visits and unduplicated clients that were served. The categories were changed as follows: the first category is "clients seeking services," the second category is "unduplicated clients receiving services." Decreases in these categories from 2009 to 2010 were noted. King County Veterans Programs continue to see a decline in the clients we served, mainly with Vietnam Veterans and to a lesser degree with Gulf War era veterans. The program is also reflecting a decrease in number of clients who receive services and total dollars spend which indicated a \$30,000 decrease year to year. An increase in bus tickets, licensing and haircuts was noted, which affects the actual dollar amount used.

Fred Steele - discussed more housing availability, more programs serving Veterans with Case management and mental health services.

Fred provided an overview of the new VIBE data collection system and discussed the additional types of reports and information that this updated system will provide for the Board, team members, and management.

Fran Nowak- Lead Social Worker for Satellite Services provided an update on outreach to rural and satellite sites. Each month the saturation rate (number of clients seen per site per visit) has steadily increased. Satellite services began with seven sites: Maple Valley, Auburn, Federal Way, Redmond, Lake City, Enumclaw and Federal Way. Lake City and Carnation have recently been added to the list. Marketing and consistency at each site are key components to the success of the program while building relationships and providing pertinent information. Updated calendars for Satellite sites that show the location, day and times King County Veterans Social Worker are also made available. Fran informed the Board that KCVP is servicing more Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, more woman are coming into get help through the satellite locations.

Levy: – Bill Wood suggested that a report be developed to reflect the outcomes and successes of the King County Veterans Program as this information would be helpful for the Levy Oversight Committee. .

Speaking engagements: Joel Estey discussed having speaking engagements at the American Legion in Snoqualmie and in Mercer Island where he spoke about the services the levy has provided for those cities. Joel Estey speaks at a number of city councils, senior centers, veterans' service groups, and human service agencies.

Publicity: The KCVP Board will need to get out mailers and contact colleges, getting online to get younger veterans to participate and join the King County Veterans Program Advisory Board. Post an ad or announcement in the Newspaper for upcoming elections or meetings.

Legislative: No Legislative and finance reports

Old Business

Website updates:

Updated Minutes

How to access the program

Applications

How to become a member (Bylaws, RCW)

Contact information

New Business

Next Meeting

September 21, 2010(evening meeting) Renton WorkSource KCVP

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Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.